

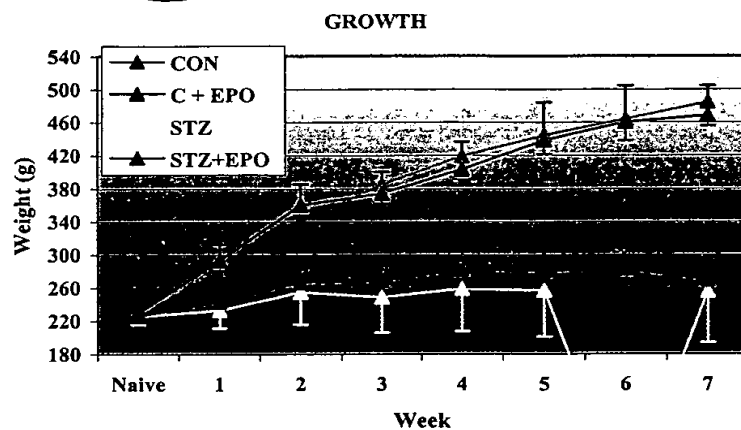
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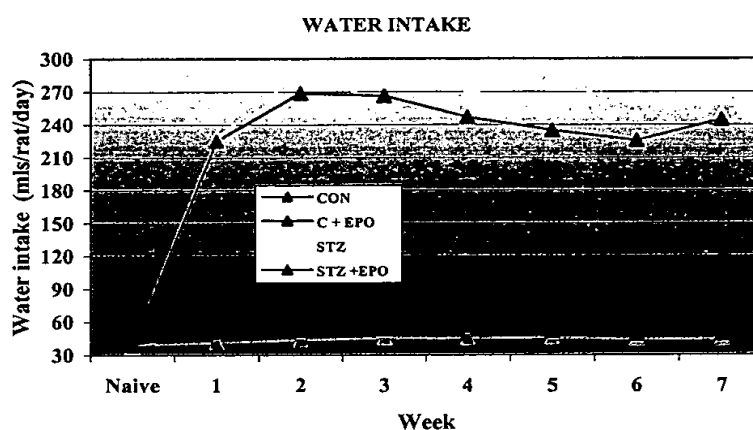
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FIGURE 1

(A)



(B)



(C)

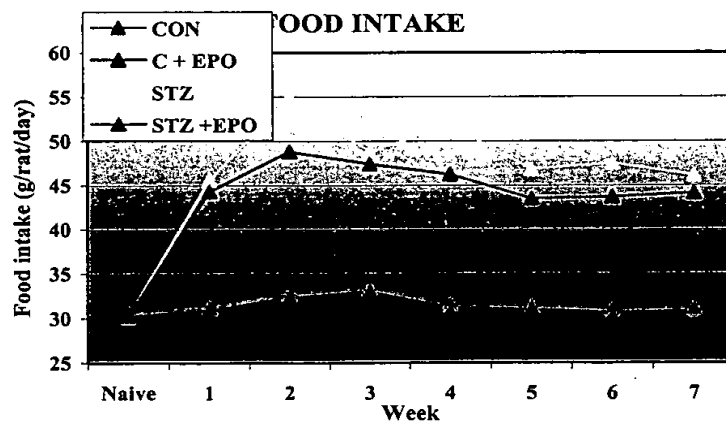


Fig. 1 General parameters of control (CON) diabetic (STZ) and control and diabetic rats receiving EPO injections (5000 units/kg b.w. three times a week) C+ EPO and STZ+ EPO, respectively.
(A) Comparative growth curve from the four groups. (B) and (C) water and food intake.

TABLE FOR FIGURE 2						
	#		2	4	5	6
Mean	15	CON	9.78	9.87	8.34	7.94
	8	C + EPO	9.55	8.75	6.61	7.04
	17	STZ	15.75	15.14	13.76	12.48
	21	STZ +EPO	13.14	12.13	11.44	12.24
	#		2	4	5	6
SEM	15	CON	0.79	0.60	0.64	0.64
	8	C + EPO	0.84	0.53	0.38	0.41
	17	STZ	1.86	0.87	1.13	0.73
	21	STZ +EPO	0.99	0.52	0.75	0.88

FIGURE 2

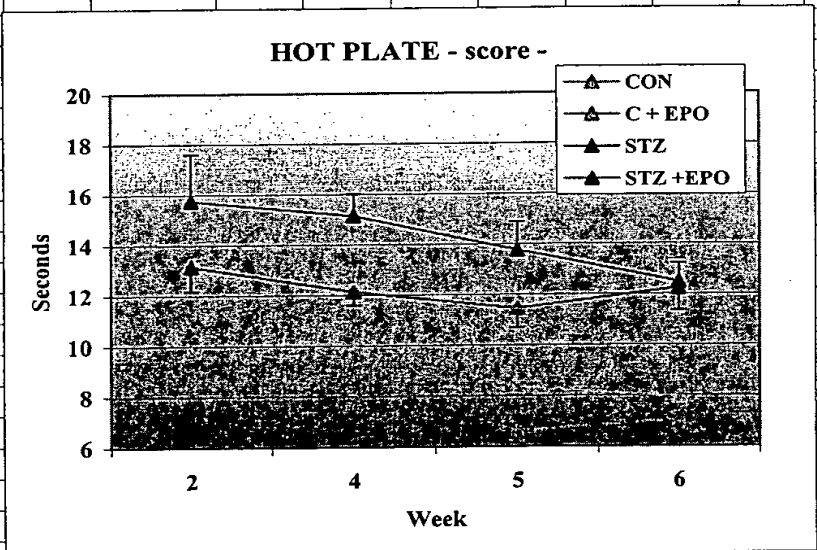


Fig. 2 Effect of STZ injection and EPO treatments on rat thermal threshold monitored by hot plate test up to 6 weeks after STZ injection.
On weeks 4 and 5 the difference between STZ and STZ + EPO was significant ($p<0.05$)

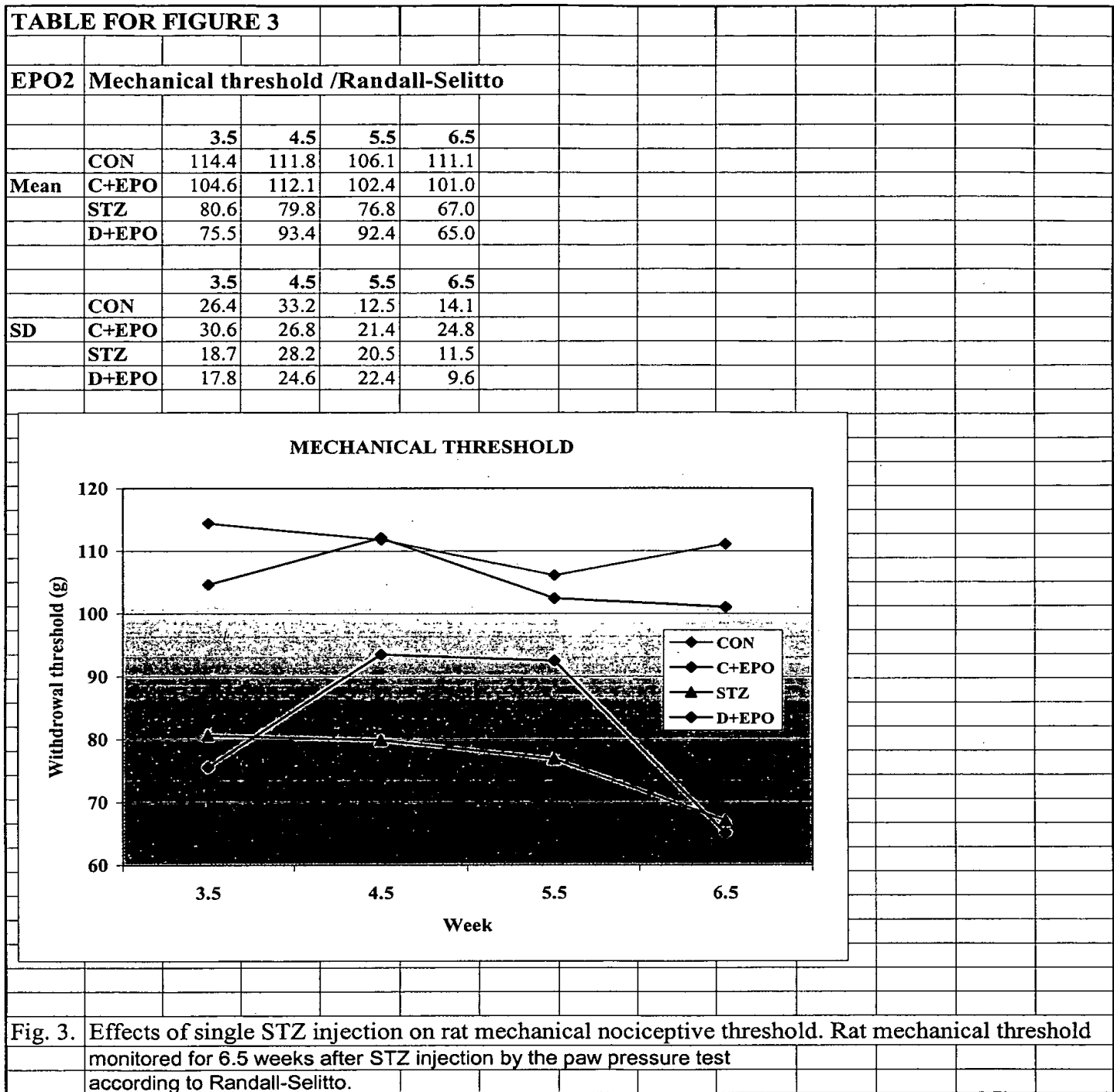


Fig. 3. Effects of single STZ injection on rat mechanical nociceptive threshold. Rat mechanical threshold monitored for 6.5 weeks after STZ injection by the paw pressure test according to Randall-Selitto.